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Letter dated 2 November 2011 from the Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council

On behalf of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism, I have the honour to submit herewith, for the information of the Security Council, the outcome document of the special meeting of the Committee, which was held pursuant to paragraph 11 of the Security Council resolution 1963 (2010), to commemorate the 10th anniversary of the adoption of Security Council resolution 1373 (2001) and the establishment of the Committee (see annex). The special meeting was held on 28 September 2011 in New York and was attended by the wider membership of the United Nations, international intergovernmental and regional organizations, and United Nations bodies.

On behalf of the members of the Committee, I wish to convey through you my gratitude to all Member States concerned for their active participation in the special meeting.

I should be grateful if the present letter and its annex could be brought to the attention of the members of the Security Council and issued as a document of the Council.

(*Signed*) H. S. **Puri**
Chair
Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism

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Annex to letter dated 2 November 2011 from the Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council

Outcome document of the special meeting of the Counter-Terrorism Committee commemorating the adoption of Security Council resolution 1373 (2001) and the establishment of the Committee

The Counter-Terrorism Committee:

1. Recalls that 10 years ago today the Security Council adopted resolution 1373 (2001) in response to the heinous attacks carried out against the World Trade Center and elsewhere in the United States of America on 11 September 2001.

2. Also recalls that resolution 1373 (2001), considering terrorism a serious threat to international peace and security, focuses the efforts of the international community on the need to address the challenge of terrorism through concrete actions at the national, regional and international levels and requires that States, among other actions, criminalize terrorist acts, deny terrorists safe haven and financial resources, ensure that terrorists are brought to justice and cooperate with other States to bring terrorists to justice.

3. Condemns terrorism in all its forms and manifestations, reaffirms that all terrorist acts are criminal and unjustifiable regardless of their motivations, whenever and by whomsoever committed, reaffirms that terrorism cannot and should not be associated with any religion, nationality or ethnic group, and reaffirms that terrorism should be unequivocally condemned universally.

4. Recognizes that over the past 10 years notable successes have been achieved, and significant steps taken in the implementation of resolution 1373 (2001) by Member States, including a significant increase in the number of States becoming party to the international counter-terrorism instruments, the criminalization of terrorist offences, the strengthening of criminal justice systems, the successful prosecution of terrorist cases, and the introduction of robust measures to counter terrorist financing and measures to enhance cooperation at the political, technical and operational levels.

5. Remains deeply concerned that terrorism continues to pose a serious threat to international peace and security, as evidenced notably by the terrorist attacks carried out recently in various regions of the world and by terrorists' adaptation to, and misuse of, new technologies, such as the Internet, for their communication, propaganda, financing, planning, recruitment and operational purposes.

6. Notes with concern the close connection between terrorism and transnational organized crime, including trafficking of illicit drugs, money-laundering, illegal arms trafficking, and illegal movement of nuclear, chemical, biological and other potentially deadly materials.

7. Expresses its profound solidarity with the victims of terrorism and their families, stresses the importance of assisting victims of terrorism and providing the victims and their families with support to cope with their loss and grief, and

recognizes the important role that victims and survivor networks play in countering terrorism, including by speaking out against violent and extremist ideologies.

8. Reaffirms that Member States must ensure that any measures taken to combat terrorism comply with all their obligations under international law, in particular international human rights, refugee and humanitarian law, underscores that effective counter-terrorism measures and respect for human rights, fundamental freedoms and the rule of law are complementary and mutually reinforcing, and are an essential part of a successful counter-terrorism effort, and notes the importance of respect for the rule of law so as to effectively combat terrorism.

9. Also reaffirms that, notwithstanding the real and significant achievements of the last 10 years, much remains to be done at the national, regional and international levels to fully implement all provisions of resolution 1373 (2001).

10. Urges all Member States to ensure zero-tolerance towards terrorism and take urgent action to prevent and combat terrorism in all its forms and manifestations through the full and effective implementation of resolution 1373 (2001) and other relevant international instruments relating to terrorism, and further urges Member States, consistent with their obligations under resolution 1373 (2001), to:

- Prevent those who finance, plan, facilitate or commit terrorist acts from using their respective territories for those purposes against other States or their citizens and to deny safe haven to persons engaged in these activities
- Bring to justice those who finance, plan, support, facilitate or commit terrorist acts, in particular noting the principle of "extradite or prosecute", in accordance with international law, including human rights law
- Enhance cooperation in bringing terrorists to justice, including cooperation in the prevention, investigation, and prosecution of terrorists and offences
- Prevent the movement of terrorists, including the supply of weapons, through effective border controls
- Ensure that funds for charitable purposes are not diverted or utilized for terrorist purposes
- Develop comprehensive and integrated national counterterrorism strategies that fully comply with the rule of law, fully respect the dignity and human rights of all, and reach out to, and actively involve all parts of society and all communities
- Develop and implement comprehensive strategies to effectively address the conditions conducive to the spread of terrorism, including radicalization and recruitment for terrorism, and take necessary and appropriate steps to prevent and counter incitement to commit terrorist acts, including those motivated by extremism and intolerance, within a framework of dialogue and understanding and in accordance with their international legal obligations.

11. Underlines that specialized international and regional organizations have an important role to play in building an understanding of the terrorist threat, and in facilitating international cooperation in the field of counter-terrorism, especially through the provision of technical and related assistance, as requested.

12. Resolves to monitor and assist to ensure the full implementation of resolution 1373 (2001), with the support of the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate. In this regard, the Committee and the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate as directed by the Security Council, will continue to focus on ways and means to address identified gaps in the implementation of the resolution. In particular, the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate, acting in close cooperation with other members of the Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force, international, regional and subregional organizations, and bilateral and multilateral assistance providers, will strengthen its role in facilitating technical assistance aimed at promoting full implementation of the resolution.